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HOT SHOT FROM JAMES

Our Representative "Beards
 The Lion in His Den."

In a speech at Washington, this week, Representative Ollie James, of this district, scored the Republican party for its sins of commission and omission, backed up his statements by quotations from the Congressional Record, and closed with a prediction that the people would take the matter into their own hands this coming November and elect William J. Bryan. Mr. James was greeted by frequent applause during the delivery of his speech and received an ovation from the Democratic side when he had concluded.

Mr. James referred to recent Republican speeches trying to explain the panic and those that preceded them, boasting of the prosperity of the country under Republican rule.

"We hear no more of that now," declared Mr. James. "That night-gale has been silenced; the song of that sweet lute is sounded no more; the dreaded spectre of soup-houses has made its appearance. Two million idle men begging for work, reduced wages for those who are fortunate enough to have employment, this is the melancholy story of the acme of Republican legislation."

"Mr. Boutell, of Illinois, used to enrapture us with delightful strains of prosperity, which, he said, had been wrought by the Republican party, and he took us, by reading excerpt from Southern newspapers, through Dixie land, telling us that all this the Republican party had done. But that harp since then has ceased its strain, and the last time the gentleman was seen upon this floor he was reading from the holy bible, trying to prove that Caesar was entitled to certain tribute. All of this, Mr. Speaker, forces me to paraphrase,

The harp that once through Congress
 The land of prosperity music shed,
 Now hangs as mute on Congress walls
 As if Judah, Boutell and Landis were
 Dead."

Mr. James read from Secretary Taft's speech at Columbus, O., favoring an income tax "in times of great need." He said that such a law would be attempted then.

"What character of Republicanism is this?" he asked, "that makes a poor man give his treasure and in times of great needs of his blood for his Government while the fortunes of thousands upon thousands of millionaires are to be exempted until a 'time of great need' shall come?"

He cited the Congressional Record to show that such a time of great need had come, but Mr. Taft showed startling ignorance of the history of his party, and that was in 1898 when the war was on between the United States and Spain, when the plain people coming from the cotton fields and the wheat fields, the shops and factories leaving home and fireside to fight for their country and if need be, give their blood, and that the Democrats at this time, offered an income tax law as an amendment to the war revenue measure and the Republicans voted solidly against it. He called attention to Mr. Taft's statement that the penitentiary penalty was all that vitalized the railroad rate law. He

said: "I introduced such an amendment, Mr. Speaker, but the Republicans in the house voted it down; it went to the Senate and was there put in the bill by a Democratic Senator."

He ridiculed the Republican proposition to reform the tariff. He took up the items in the tariff law and provoked great laughter by paralleling the free list with the taxed list. He concluded by saying:

"Mr. Speaker, the Democratic party of the country has announced to the world a new mode of warfare. It is the people shall command and the leaders must obey. They have a leader, his name is upon every tongue; it is graven on the heart of every Democrat. He has convictions and the courage to express them. He has stood for something; he has sown the good seed and has raised in front of an army of the most merciless vultures the world ever saw the commandment, 'Thou Shalt Not Steal.' He is the one that has never prostituted his giant intellect for money and never sold the love of the American people for corporation gold. He cut the way through the wilderness of greed and was the pioneer. It's great to be a pioneer, Mr. Speaker; his path is always red with blood and wet with



tears, but his name lives. The people of this republic, at the coming election, are going to reward him, and the hand that will bear the Democratic standard is the same one that bore the sword in defense of the American people. They only waited with restless anxiety the opportunity to elect that grand, that splendid, that matchless Democrat, William J. Bryan, President of the United States."

Stroud Rearrested.

The preliminary trial of Chas. Stroud, who killed Bob Somers at Harris early last week, was held on Thursday afternoon before Squires Hall and Sacra. The evidence presented was clearly in favor of the defendant and the Justices refused to bind him over to court and ordered his release.

On Friday Mrs. Somers, wife of the dead man, swore out a warrant for Stroud and he was rearrested by Deputy Josh Adams and brought to the city and confined in jail. He waived his second preliminary trial and was released on bond of \$5000 to make his appearance at the next term of the Circuit Court on the first Monday in May. That Stroud has the sympathy of the entire community was clearly shown as about fifty names were signed to the bond and many more could have been secured if necessary. The funeral of Somers took place in district one on Thursday.—Ovion Democrat.

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Life is a loom which we feed with our thread,
 Feed with the deeds of the days we have led—
 Cotton or woolen or silken, the skein,
 Always we weave it with pleasure or pain!

What of the cloth that we weave, you and I?
 What of the texture and what of the dye?
 Shall it be woven of gladness and song?
 Shall it be fed with the good thread and strong?
 Or with a careless indifferent gray,
 Shall we produce just a shoddy—always?
 —Byron Williams.

The South is Going Dry.

Lay the jest about the julep
 In the cantharus tails at last,
 For the miracle has happened,
 And the olden days are past.
 That which made Milwaukee famous
 Does not foam in Tennessee,
 And the lid in Alabama
 Is as tight locked as can be;
 And the comic paper colonel
 And his cronies well may sigh,
 For the mint is waving away,
 And the South is going dry.

By the stillside on the hillside
 In Kentucky, all is still,
 And the only damp refreshment
 Must be dipped up from the rill.
 North Carolina's stately governor
 Gives his soda glass a shove,
 And discusses local option
 With the South Carolina Gov.
 It is useless at the fountain
 To be winking of the eye;
 For the cocktail glass is dusty,
 And the South is going dry.

It is water, water every where,
 And not a drop to drink;
 We no longer hear the music
 Of the mellow, crystal clink,
 And the Colonel and the General,
 And the Major and the Judge
 Meet to have a little "nip."
 To give the appetite an edge;
 For the eggnog now is nogles,
 And the "rye" has gone away,
 And the punchbowl holds carnations
 And the South is going dry.

John Townsend, an old settler in the neighborhood of Dorena and a good man, was taken to the asylum for the feeble minded at Farmington, Mo., Monday. Brooding over the loss of his wife a few weeks since is supposed to have impaired his mind. He was well liked by all who knew him, and has resided in Mississippi county for many years.

John Parks, who worked for A. A. Faris on a derrick boat until Saturday, was drowned at Cairo, Sunday afternoon. He had gone to that place to work for the Huntington & St. Louis Tow Boat Co. Parks' home is at New Madrid, Mo., but was well known at Hickman.

Another Survey Made.

The N. C. & St. L. Railroad Co. again had a corps of surveyors in Hickman this week running a line for their tracks from East Hickman around the southern part of the city. The chief engineer informed a Courier reporter that from the present indications the company would probably be forced to make the change, since the river is gradually encroaching upon the rightofway.

It is true that the maintenance of the track at its present location is getting to be more expensive each year, and it is only a question of time when they will be forced to abandon the old route. This survey has been made several times heretofore, but nothing further done. Now, it is getting to be a case of necessity and other steps will doubtless follow ere long; but not, however, until they are compelled to make the change. Of course, when the tracks are brought in on the south side, it will naturally follow that the depot, switches, etc., will also be changed.

Capt W. A. Shuck, of the Cayce neighborhood, was in Hickman, Saturday. Capt Shuck looks as young now as when he was sheriff of this county, and is decidedly more handsome.

LEGISLATURE ADJOURNED

Summary of Laws Enacted
 By General Assembly.

The Legislature came to an end early on the morning of the 17th instant.

In the house there were 50 Republican and 56 Democratic Representatives at the last of the session.

The following list of bills passed both houses besides a number of bills of minor importance which are of a purely local nature. The list embraces about all of the most important measures which have passed both branches:

- The \$500,000 Normal school bill.
- The Crecelius tobacco bill.
- The new school book bill.
- Sullivan-Watkins educational bill.
- Forty thousand dollars for the State Fair.
- Twenty-five thousand dollars for the State Board of Health bill.
- Child labor bill.
- Bar admission bill.
- Juvenile Court bill.
- Steam boats under railroad commission bill.
- Detective for Louisville criminal court bill.
- Klair courthouse bill.
- Shiloh monument bill.
- Repeal barber law bill.
- New dentist bill.
- New printing bill.
- Sixty thousand dollars repair school of reform bill.
- Thirty-six cent school tax for Louisville bill.
- Meyers' pharmacy bill.
- Courthouse custody bill.
- Confederate pension bill.
- Bi-partisan board for control of asylums.
- Bill giving assistance to Attorney General.

Dee Marshall was convicted of rape and sentenced to 10 years in the penitentiary in the Graves circuit court this last week. The case went to trial Friday morning and attracted large audiences. Marshall is a farmer, who resides near Lowes Cross Roads. He was accused of criminally assaulting Lilly Glisson, aged 17 years, last October. The affair caused a big sensation in that section of the county.

It is said that black hosiery is fast going out of style. For some unknown reason black was the rage for ten or fifteen years, especially with ladies. Men never particularly liked to wear black, and it is certainly the hottest color in summer; but acid coloring has no doubt done more to drive black hosiery into disuse than anything else.

The rumors rife in the capital for several days to the effect that Gov. Willson would call a special session of the legislature for July or any other time was without authority. Gov. Willson announced emphatically that he has not given such an idea a moments thought.

Ray Fleming, of Memphis, was the guest of relatives here this week. He is a fireman on the I. C. Railroad.

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